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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Record

SUBJECT : Draft Executive Order Entitled "Delegating Authority of the President under Sections 305 and 606 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended."

1. Norman Paul telephoned today to inquire whether we had advised the Director of Communications of our conclusions upon review of the foregoing draft Executive Order. I reported that we had sent to General McClelland a copy of our memorandum addressed to the Legislative Counsel, dated 27 November 1956.

25X1A9A 2. I further advised that I had held a long telephone conversation with [redacted] who had been identified as the Action Officer for the Director of Communications in this matter. I reviewed my interpretation of the draft Executive Order with

25X1A9A [redacted] and explained the basis for my conclusion that the portions of the Order about which his memorandum of 18 September 1956 had expressed concern did not apply to governmental radio stations.

25X1A9A [redacted] and I agreed that the availability of radio frequencies to this Agency in time of emergency was of outstanding importance.

25X1A9A [redacted] stated that he was closely associated with the work of the Independent Radio Advisory Committee (IRAC) and he was impressed by the capabilities of its members and the efficiency of its procedures. IRAC is the body which has as its principal duty the allocation of radio frequencies among governmental entities.

25X1A9A [redacted] and I concluded that as a practical matter he would be on the alert for any indication hereafter that IRAC would not be able to exercise its present degree of influence, and if such indications are noted he and I would reassess the Agency's position in this field.

25X1A9A 3. Summarizing the above for Norman Paul, I stated that I was authorized by [redacted] to say that his Office would accept the text of the draft Executive Order as it now stands.

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Assistant General Counsel

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